

In re Application of: DE MEUTER et al.  
 Application No. 09/586,964  
 Filed: June 5, 2000  
 For: SUGAR-FREE HARD-COATING PREPARED FROM LIQUID ... AND SORBITOL

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Transmitted herewith is a response to the Office Action in the subject application.

small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.

**DUE DATE:** November 27, 2003

**■ Petition For Extension Of Time**

- for a three-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee of \$950.00 is enclosed.
- petition for an extension of time is NOT necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-1135 for the appropriate petition fee.
- No additional claim fee is required.
- Other:

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	SMALL ENTITY RATE	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY RATE
TOTAL	29	MINUS	27	2	x 9= \$ x 18= \$36.00
INDEPENDENT	4	MINUS	4	0	x 40= \$ x 86= \$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE CLAIM				+ 135= \$	+ 290= \$
				TOTAL \$	TOTAL \$36.00

- Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1135 in the amount of \$36.00, under Order No. 7393/71920. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
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- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
  - Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
  - Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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